

REMARKS**STATUS OF CLAIMS**

Claims 1-9 and 11-13 are rejected for indefiniteness under 35 U.S.C. §112, paragraph 2.

Item 2 of the Action as well indicates the appropriate correction to be made to overcome the indefiniteness and specifically in claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 11, 12 and 13.

Applicants apologize for not detecting the printer error which caused the deficient expression to be produced in the claims. The preceding Amendment filed May 19, 2004, on the other hand, correctly incorporated that expression, consistent with the appearance thereof in the claims as originally filed in this application.

Accordingly, no new matter is presented in the Amendments to the claims herein and above and, accordingly, approve on entry thereof are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

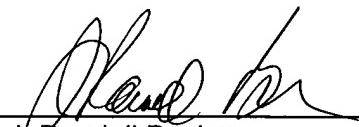
It is submitted that the claims have now been amended to overcome the §112 paragraph 2 rejection and thus in accordance with Item 3 of the Action, that the pending claims 1-9 and 11-13 are in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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